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SUBJ: PROPOSAL FOR VISIT BY HEW SECRETARY

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1. I CAN OF COURSE INVITE HEW SECRETARY CALIFANO AS MY PRIVATE GUEST. I THINK THE CHINESE WOULD GRANT A VISA TO SECRETARY CALIFANO AS MY GUEST BUT IT IS NOT CERTAIN THAT THEY WOULD DO SO. PRIMARY DRAWBACK TO PRIVATE INVITATION, HOWEVER, WOULD BE POSSIBLE LACK OF ACCESS TO THOSE MEMBERS OF CHINESE LEADERSHIP WHOM CALIFANO WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED IN SEEING.

2. I SUGGEST THAT WE FIRST APPROACH PRCLO IN WASHINGTON OR MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS HERE TO SEE HOW CHINESE PEOPLES INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WOULD REACT TO SUGGESTION OF VISIT BY HEW SECRETARY TO OBSERVE CHINESE MEDICAL AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND TO EXCHANGE IDEAS AND EXPERIENCES ON TEACHING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. THE ADVANTAGES OF A VISIT HOSTED BY THE INSTITUTE INCLUDE ACCESS TO TOP LEADERS, INSTITUTIONS, ETC. IF CHINESE ARE NOT PREPARED TO ISSUE INVITATION THEMSELVES THEY MAY WELL SUGGEST THAT CALIFANO MAKE A PRIVATE VISIT AS MY GUEST. IF NOT, WE CAN RAISE THIS ALTERNATIVE OURSELVES EXPRESSING HOPE THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO SEE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS.

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3. WE BELIEVE THAT THE CHINESE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN LATE FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH. A VISIT BY SECRETARY CALIFANO NEAR OR SHORTLY AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE CONFERENCE MIGHT INTEREST THE CHINESE. IF THE INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WERE TO INVITE HIM, THE VISIT WOULD REPRESENT A FURTHER WARMING IN THE SINO-US RELATIONSHIP AND WOULD BE

SEEN AS SUCH BY OTHER NATIONS. PRESS COMMENTARY EVEN ON A
PRIVATE VISIT WOULD ALSO BE POSITIVE BUT A PRIVATE VISIT
WOULD BE SEEN AS MORE OF A US INITIATIVE.

4. I AM NOT SURE HOW THE CHINESE WILL REACT TO A SUCCESSION OF
VISITS BY OTHER CABINET MEMBERS. WE WILL BE ABLE
TO MAKE A BETTER ESTIMATE WHEN WE HAVE A RESPONSE ON SECRETARY
CALIFANO'S TRIP.
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